

The 22nd Annual Virginia Hazardous Materials Conference & Expo

September 19-24, 2005

Hilton-Sheraton Oceanfront Hotels
Virginia Beach, VA



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Hotel Info

Cut-off date for making reservations:

Aug. 28, 2005

Room Rate: \$129

(single/double occupancy, plus taxes)



36th & Oceanfront, Virginia Beach, VA

(757) 425-9000

or 800-521-5635

Phone - in Group Code: VAHAZ

Internet Booking Code: 2462

www.sheraton.com/attend meeting

(You must use code to get group rate!)



31st & Oceanfront, Virginia Beach, VA

(757) 213-3000

Group Code:VAH

A deposit of one-night's room and tax, by check, money order or credit card will be required at the time the reservation is made. *(Credit cards will be charged for this deposit at the time the reservation is made.)*

Check in: 4 p.m. Check out: 11 a.m.

Cancellations or arrival/departure changes made to room reservations are subject to the following penalties:

(In the case of multiple rooms booked together, penalties apply to each room that is cancelled or changed.)

- If you wish to book multiple rooms, you must use a different name for each room or the duplicate reservation will be cancelled by the hotel.
- There is a 72 hour cancellation policy for all reservations (4 p.m. EST scheduled arrival date.) Any cancellations made after that date will be charged one night's room and tax.
- If you "No Show" on your scheduled arrival date, you will be charged one-night's room and tax and your reservation for the rest of your stay will be automatically dropped from the system. Please plan to call ahead if you cannot make your scheduled arrival date for any reason!
- A \$50 penalty will be charged if you check out earlier than your scheduled departure date and fail to give a 72-hour notice.

Highlights:

- Over **50 workshops** to choose from offering some of the best information in the nation regarding Hazardous Materials.
- **Two Monday/Tuesday Preconference Seminars:** 1.) Hazardous Materials Team - Response to Terrorist Incidents, and 2.) Introduction to Unified Command for Multi-Agency and Catastrophic Incidents.
- **TWO Wednesday Preconference Seminars:** 1.) Intro to NIMS, and 2.) Beginning Management - Crossing the Threshold into Managing for Results
- **Opening Reception** on Wednesday from 6 - 7 p.m at the Sheraton Hotel.
- Regular **VAHMRS Business Meeting and Election of Officers** on Wednesday evening 7 - 9 p.m.
- **Opening General Session** on Thursday morning featuring the Honorable George W. Foresman, Assistant to the Virginia Governor for Commonwealth Preparedness & H. F. Gouldthorpe, Jr., Senior Vice President, Owens & Minor, Inc.
- An **Exhibit Hall** featuring the latest products and services on Thursday from 10 a.m. - 7 p.m.
- **Exhibitor Reception** on Thursday from 3 - 7 p.m.
- **Door Prizes** will be given away during the Opening General Session on Thursday, the Exhibitor Reception on Thursday, and at the last General Session on Saturday. Must be present to win!
- **Friday Casino Night** featuring the **Norfolk Southern Band, "The Lawmen"** sponsored by W.E.L., Inc.
- **Patch Display** - Donnie Woolard, Colonial Heights Fire & EMS, will display a portion of his 10,700 piece patch collection. Bring a patch to trade!



Preconference Training

Monday & Tuesday, September 19-20, 2005

Hazardous Materials Team - Response to Terrorist Incidents

With the effects of September 11 still lingering, public safety response organizations continue their battle to prepare for future events. The Commonwealth of Virginia recognizes that these preparations are vital to efforts in preparing, responding to, and mitigating a response of this magnitude. The course *Hazardous Materials Team - Response to Terrorist Incidents* is designed to prepare the existing hazardous materials team for events of this magnitude. This complimentary 16

hour program is sponsored by the Virginia Department of Emergency Management (VDEM) and the Virginia Association of Hazardous Materials Response Specialists (VAHMRS).

- Monday - Tuesday, 8 a.m. - 5 p.m.
- Instruction provided by VDEM staff
- FREE to attend and open to anyone, but you must pre-register to participate.

Introduction to Unified Command for Multi-Agency and Catastrophic Incidents

Literally every community in the Commonwealth may be impacted by a major incident. Such incidents are not necessarily the result of a terrorist or man-made cause, but most often include natural and accidental causes. This two-day class, provided by the National Fire Academy, provides training in the fundamentals of establishing and operating a Unified Command Function to integrate the decisions and operations of any local departments and organizations that would have a role in directing and performing response activities following a

major or catastrophic emergency event. Successful completion will result in award of a FEMA/National Fire Academy Certificate of Achievement.

- Monday - Tuesday, 8 a.m. - 5 p.m.
- Instruction provided by Steve Grainer, Chief, Incident Management Programs, Virginia Department of Fire Programs
- FREE to attend and open to anyone, but you must pre-register to participate.

Wednesday, September 21, 2005

An Intro to National Incident Management System (NIMS) (IS-700)

The National Incident Management System (NIMS) requires that any organization and those personnel assigned duties during emergency response must be training in the fundamental components of the NIMS. While many fire departments, rescue squads and law enforcement agencies have met or are working to comply with this requirement, many other organizations remain unaware or unable to complete the training needed to achieve compliance. This session will provide the information and training needed to earn the appropriate certificate of completion from the Department of Homeland Security and to demonstrate reasonable efforts to

comply with the DHS mandate. Optional testing for IS-700 will be offered at the conclusion of the session. This session will include a discussion period to assist individuals and organizations seeking to develop strategies to meet compliance requirements by the published deadline of Sept. 30, 2006.

- Wednesday, 1 - 5 p.m.
- Instruction provided by Steve Grainer
- FREE to attend and open to anyone, but you must pre-register to participate.

Beginning Management - Crossing the Threshold into Managing for Results

This one-day course presents the basic management functions as they are applied to managing resources to achieve positive results for the organization. This presentation will discuss the classic management functions and how new (or experienced) managers can apply these to make improvements in service delivery. Interactive discussion and small group activity will present and explore the management concepts of resource and process management, the

manager-leader, management principles and practices and the responsibilities of management.

- Wednesday, 1 - 5 p.m.
- Instruction provided by Jim Graham, Chesterfield County Deputy Chief of Emergency Operations.
- \$25 to attend and open to anyone, but you must pre-register to participate.



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Monday, 9/19	8 a.m. - 5 p.m.	VDEM Preconference Seminar	Friday, 9/23	7:30 a.m. - 5 p.m.	Registration
	6 - 7 p.m.	Preconference Reception		8:30 - 10 a.m.	Workshops Round 3
Tuesday, 9/20	8 a.m. - 5 p.m.	VDEM Preconference Seminar		8:30 - 10 a.m.	** Applied Technology Workshops Round 1
				10:30 - Noon	Workshops Round 4
Wednesday, 9/21	8 a.m. - 5 p.m.	* Preconference Seminars		10:30 a.m. - Noon	** Applied Technology Workshops Round 2
	Noon - 8 p.m.	Exhibitor Set-up		Noon - 1:30 p.m.	Lunch on own
	3 - 6 p.m.	Registration		1:30 - 3 p.m.	Workshops Round 5
	6 - 7 p.m.	Opening Reception		1:30 - 3 p.m.	** Applied Technology Workshops Round 3
	7 - 9 p.m.	VAHMRS Business Meeting		3:30 - 5 p.m.	Workshops Round 6
Thursday, 9/22	7 - 8 a.m.	Coffee Service		8 p.m. - Midnight	*** Casino Night sponsored by W.E.L., Inc.
	7:30 a.m. - 6 p.m.	Registration			
	8:30 - 10 a.m.	Opening General Session			
	10 a.m. - 7 p.m.	Exhibits Open			
	10:30 a.m. - Noon	Workshops Round 1			
	Noon - 1:30 p.m.	Lunch on own			
	1:30 - 3 p.m.	Workshops Round 2			
	3 - 7 p.m.	Exhibitor Reception	Saturday, 9/24	7 - 8:30 a.m.	Coffee
				8 - 10 a.m.	Registration
				8:30 - 10 a.m.	General Session 2
				10:30 a.m. - Noon	General Session 3
				Noon	Meeting Adjourns

Monday/Tuesday Preconference Seminars. 9/19 - 20 8 a.m. - 5 p.m. Complimentary seminars provided by the Virginia Department of Emergency Management (VDEM) focusing on HazMat Team Ops and one provided by the Virginia Department of Fire Programs focusing on the Unified Command System. Pre-registration required.

*** Wednesday Preconference Seminars.** A complimentary, four-hour seminar on NIMS will be offered by the Virginia Department of Fire Programs (Pre-registration required.) An eight-hour seminar on Beginning Management also will be offered by the Virginia Association of Hazardous Materials Response Specialists for \$25 per person.

**** Applied Technology Workshops.** These complimentary sessions are being offered by the Vendors on Friday allowing participants hands-on time with their products and/or services.

***** Casino Night.** Friday, 9/23, 8 p.m. - Midnight Don't miss the fun!! Music provided by the Norfolk Southern Band "The Lawmen" sponsored by W.E.L., Inc.

THURSDAY, FRIDAY, SATURDAY

Main Conference



Opening Night Reception

Reception at the Sheraton Hotel Wednesday from 6 - 7 p.m.

VAHMRS Business Meeting & Election of Officers

Wednesday, Sept. 21, 2005 7 - 9 p.m. Business Meeting

Opening General Session

Thursday, Sept. 22, 2005 8:30 - 10 a.m.

Featuring the Honorable George W. Foresman, Assistant to the Virginia Governor for Commonwealth Preparedness and the nationally recognized motivational speaker H. F. "Goldie" Gouldthorpe, Jr. Senior Vice President, Owens & Minor, Inc.

Don't miss this opportunity to hear the latest on Virginia's initiatives in Commonwealth Preparedness AND hear a gifted motivational speaker, writer and teacher in sales, marketing, communications, leadership, customer service and total quality management!

Conference Workshops

Over 50 workshops featuring some of the best information in the nation about hazardous materials will be offered on Thursday and Friday.

Exhibit Hall

50 exhibits featuring the latest products and services on **Thursday from 10 a.m. - 7 p.m.** An Exhibitor Reception on Thursday from 3 - 7 p.m. with "refreshments" and hors d'oeuvres.

Door Prizes

Give away during the Opening General Session on Thursday, the Exhibitor Reception on Thursday and at the last General Session on Saturday. Must be present to win!

Casino Night and "The Lawmen"

Friday, Sept. 23, 2005 8 p.m. - Midnight

Don't miss the fun! Gamble for prizes and dance to the Norfolk Southern Band "The Lawmen" sponsored by W.E.L., Inc.

Two Closing General Sessions

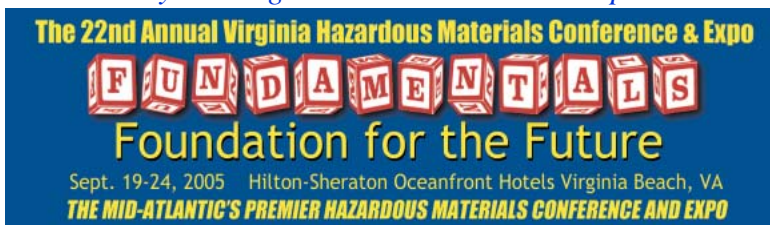
Back by Popular Demand! We will finish up the conference with two top-notch General Sessions in lieu of workshops.

8:30 - 10 a.m. - 9/11, Before, During and After - William "Bill" Butler, Lieutenant with the Fire Department of the City of New York (FDNY) will discuss FDNY's preparedness for terrorism prior to 9/11 and the day of 9/11, including his survival in the collapse of the North Tower. Butler will also discuss the rebuilding of the FDNY after the attack.

10:30 a.m. - Noon - Honorable Congressman Curt Weldon, Seventh District of Pennsylvania, a founding member of the Congressional Fire Service Caucus and avid support of the American Fire Service.



You may also register on-line at www.convplus.com



CONFERENCE REGISTRATION FORM

1. Please print or type your name as you wish it to appear on your name badge. (Complete a separate form for EACH registrant.)

Name:	
SSN:	
Company:	
Mailing Address: () Home () Work	
City, State, Zip:	
Telephone:	Fax #:
E-mail Address:	

All confirmations/receipts will be sent via E-mail. We would be happy to send all receipts for a department to one individual handling registrations or payments if you list their E-mail. We also can send an E-mail copy to accounting for billing, if you so indicate.

2. Please register me for the following event(s): *Please note that you may register for any or all of the following events.*

Advance MEMBER Registration (You must be a VAHMRS member in good standing as of June 1, 2005 and your registration must be postmarked prior to 8/28/05 to avoid late fee)	\$95	
Advance NON-MEMBER registration (must be postmarked prior to 8/28/05 to avoid late fee)	\$135	
Late Fee (Any registration postmarked after 8/28/05)	\$25	
Purchase Order Fee (per person)	\$10	
Preconference Seminars (Mon./Tues. 9/19 - 20/05) <input type="checkbox"/> Hazmat Team Ops <input type="checkbox"/> UCS	FREE	
Preconference Seminar (Wed., 9/21/05) (Intro to NIMS)	FREE	
Preconference Seminar (Wed., 9/21/05) (Beginning Management)	\$25	
Casino Night (Fri. 9/23/05) \$10 per person	\$10	
TOTAL ENCLOSED		

3. **Payment.** All checks should be made payable to **VAHMRS** Federal ID # 54-1496756
() Check () Purchase Order - \$10 fee per person () Credit Card - VISA, MasterCard or AMEX

Credit Card#: _____ Exp. Date: ____/____

Name on Card: _____

Billing Address for Credit Card: _____ Zip Code: _____

4. **Cancellations/Refunds.** Cancellation notices and requests for refunds must be made **IN WRITING** no later than 8/28/05 to be eligible. You may transfer your paid registration to another person (substitute) *who is not already registered*, if you are unable to attend.

Return completed forms to: Conventions Plus, 6107 Windsor Blvd., Zuni, VA 23898

Tel: 757-242-3692 Fax: 757-242-3674

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